Direct Investment in Power Projects in A.P.

154. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any direct investment in power projects located in the State of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof, project-wise and the amount of investment during the last three years; and

(c) the share of State Government in these power projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) The details of projects where central sector investment has been made in the State of Andhra Pradesh are given as under:

(Rupees Crores)

			Expenditure Incurred		
Project	Capacity	Approved Investment	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02
Ramagundam I & II*	2100 MW	2059.22	-	-	-
Ramagundam III	500 MW	1818.46	0.00	0.65	182.58
Simhadri	1000 MW	3650.79	624.16	896.88	767.98

*Ramagundam Stage I and II have already been completed.

Being the Central Sector projects, the State Government have no share in these investments.

Mega Power Policy

155. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry of Power has sent a proposal to the Ministry of Finance for its consideration to expand mega power policy and provide fiscal sops to some of the projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the proposed policy covers all the theremal power projects of 1000 MW and above; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?